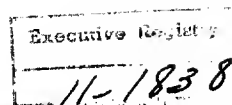


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Talked with Boyd Crawford, House Committee on Foreign Affairs, who had requested comments because of the extreme interest shown by certain members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee in THE PROGRESSIVE article by Charles Edmundson. In view of the possible claim to jurisdiction by the Wayne Hays Subcommittee on State Department Organization and Liaison with CIA, Mr. Crawford wished to alert us to this interest. I explained to Mr. Crawford in general terms the functions of the Agency including the clandestine services. Specifically I pointed out the policy controls in the field of covert operations. To this degree Mr. Crawford was impressed with the inaccuracy of the article. No comments were made on the specific points of the article. Mr. Crawford believed that by discussing this situation with the Chairman and with Wayne Hays probably no action would be forthcoming. I suggested to Mr. Crawford that if some action were desired then the Chairman might wish to discuss the matter personally with the DCI.

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Mr. Marcy stated that the Senator was most anxious to receive ideas. As an example Marcy queried why could not this country furnish on an open basis technical advice to the political parties of other countries to enable them to organize and function more efficiently to counter the instructed and guided Communist Party. It was even suggested that the Democratic Party or possibly the Democratic and Republican parties jointly could run a technical assistance program in this regard. These ideas were not put forth as finished ideas but solely for the purpose of stimulating thought in this general area. Mr. Marcy stated that a similar letter to that received by the Agency had gone forward to ICA and they had received a polite reply to the effect that this was not their concern.

6. [] telephoned to advise that the Oral articles would appear in the March 23 issue of LIFE which would be available publicly on the 18th. Arrangements have been made for a meeting with the Director, Helms, [] Grogan and Warner on 10 March.

7. Talked with [] on the matter of numbers of agent deaths which Mr. McCormack had raised. It was requested that if possible figures be available prior to the luncheon date for Mr. McCormack on 6 March.

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9. Mr. Downes in Congressman Moeller's office called to say the individual Legislative Counsel had queried on was named [] A letter giving full information is on its way to Legislative Counsel.

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